3 February 2012 – Friday

18:00-19:30 – Opening
Moderation: Dêrsim Dagdeviren

Welcoming speeches
• Professor Norman Paech
• Havin Guneser on behalf of the organizing committee

Messages
• Professor Antonio Negri
• Professor Immanuel Wallerstein
• Professor Wolf-Dieter Narr
• Abdullah Öcalan

19:30-21:00 – Session 1: The quest for a new social science
Moderation: Professor Kariane Westrheim

1.1 No theory for the Kurds: Kurds and nationalism theories
Ahmet Alıs

1.2 Alternatives to established social sciences
Ann-Kristin Kowarsch

Discussion

4 February 2012 – Saturday

09:00-13:30 – Session 2: Capitalism as the crisis of civilization
Moderation: Jon Andoni Lekue

2.1 Capitalism and commonwealth
Professor Antonio Negri

2.2 Sexism as a constant of state-based civilization
Fadile Yıldırım

2.3 Capitalism’s instruments of plunder: Industrialism and nation-state
Professor Achin Vanaik

2.4 Capitalism as the arch-enemy of ecological societies
Felix Padel

2.5 Capitalism in the 21st century
Solly Mapaila

2.6 Capitalism and the Kurdish freedom movement
Reimar Heider

Discussion

13:30-15:30 Break
15:30-19:00 – Session 3: The Middle East beyond nation-states
Moderation: Murat Çakır

3.1 Opportunities for democracy in the Middle East
Ayhan Bilgen

3.2 The Kurds and new ideas for a changing Middle East
Muzaffer Ayata

3.3 Understanding political Islam
Dr. Sadik Hassan Itaimish

3.4 Moderate Islam – the new disguise?
Ferda Çetin

Discussion

5 February 2012 – Sunday

09:00-12:00 – Session 4: Towards a new paradigm: Democratic modernity
Moderation: Mark Campbell

4.1 A new democracy is possible: Communalism!
Eirik Eiglad

4.2 Founders of radical democracy: Experiences of women liberation movements
Gönül Kaya

4.3 From Marxism to communalism and confederalism: Bookchin and Öcalan
Janet Biehl

4.4 A new democracy is possible: Envisioning a participatory economy
John Cronan Jr.

4.5 Women’s cooperatives as an alternative model
Gülistan Örmek

4.6 Building up democracy in the Basque Country: Experiences and challenges
Ana Mezo

12:00-13:30 - Break

13:30-16:30 Session 4 continues

4.7 Ideology and praxis of the Zapatista movement
Tom Waibel

4.8 Democratic politics as an alternative in Turkey
Gültan Kisanak

Discussion

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